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An Introduction to Habana AI Processors

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Agenda



Introduction



Habana Gaudi AI processor

Cloud & Datacenter solutions
powered by Gaudi



Software & Support



Summary

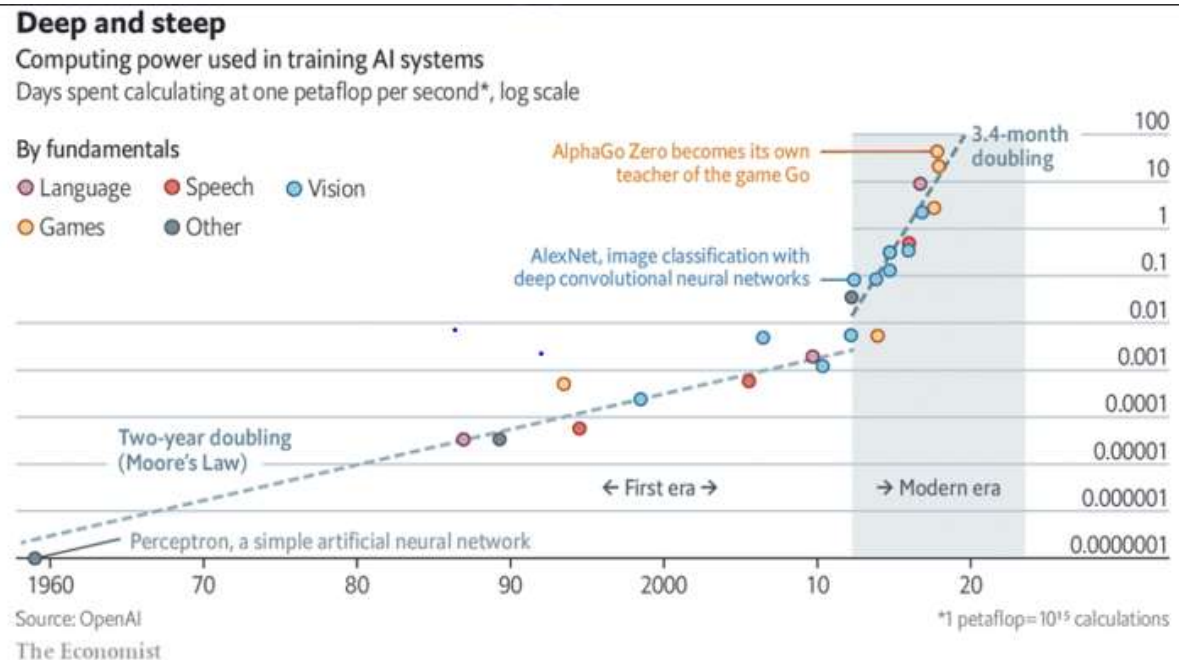
Demand for compute for ML training doubles every 3.4 months

- Increasing Complexity

- Businesses need higher precision in their model predictions
- Results in larger and more complex models
- Requires frequent retraining of models

- Increasing Costs

- Increasing compute power required for frequent training of larger models drives up cost to train
- Becomes a barrier for innovation and growth



Need for dedicated AI processors to address the compute, memory and communication challenges



A little about Habana

- Founded in 2016 to develop purpose-built AI processors
- Launched inference processor in 2018, training processor in 2019
- Acquired by Intel in late-2019
- Fully leveraging Intel's scale, resources and infrastructure
- Accessing Intel ecosystem and customer partnerships
- Delivering aggressive roadmap optimized for AI data center performance and efficiency



Habana's Dedicated Focus: AI Training and Inference

Training Solution

GAUDI[®]



 SynapseAI[®]

Inference Solution

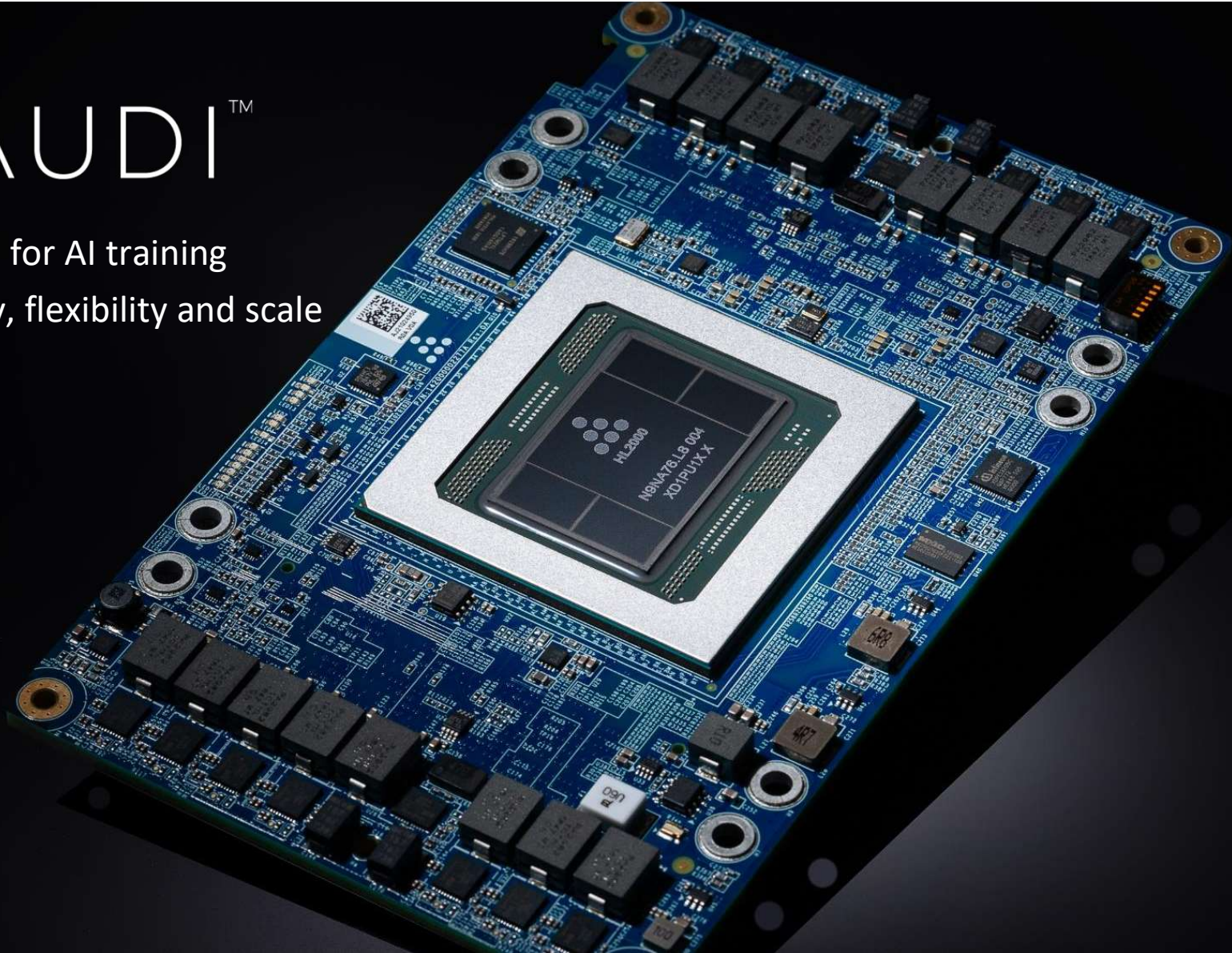
GOYA[™]



 SynapseAI[®]




GAUDI™

Designed for AI training
efficiency, flexibility and scale



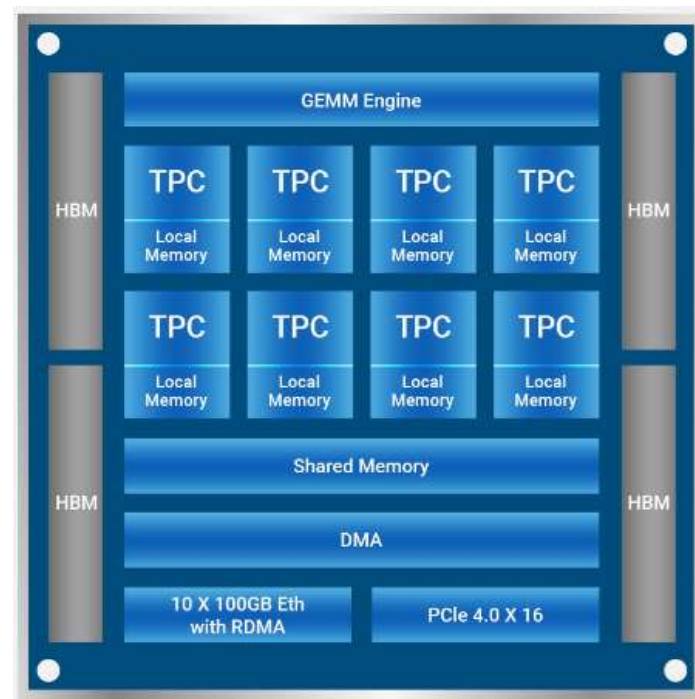
A new class of AI Training: Habana Gaudi

Purpose-designed for data center AI Training efficiency

- Cost-efficient AI Training 
- Flexibility to ease model migration 
- Hardware and software architected for scalability 

Gaudi: Architected for performance and efficiency

- Fully programmable Tensor Processing Cores (TPC) with tools & libraries
- Configurable Matrix Math Engine (GEMM)
- Multi-stage memory hierarchy with 32GB HBM2 memory
- Integrated 10 x 100 Gigabit Ethernet for multi-chip scale-out training
- Delivers higher efficiency than traditional CPUs and GPUs



Designed for flexible and easy model migration

Ease of use

Integrated with TensorFlow and PyTorch; minimal code changes to get started

→ SynapseAI maps model topology onto Gaudi devices

Developers can enjoy the same abstraction they are accustomed to today

Customization

SynapseAI TPC SDK facilitates development of custom kernels

Developers can customize models to extract best performance

Balanced compute & memory

32GB HBM2 memories similar to GPUs, so existing DL models will fit into Gaudi memory

Developers can spend less effort to port their models to Gaudi



Designed for Scaling Efficiency

The industry's FIRST:

Native integration of 10 x 100 Gigabit Ethernet RoCE ports onto every Gaudi

- Eliminates network bottlenecks



- Standard Ethernet inside the server and across nodes

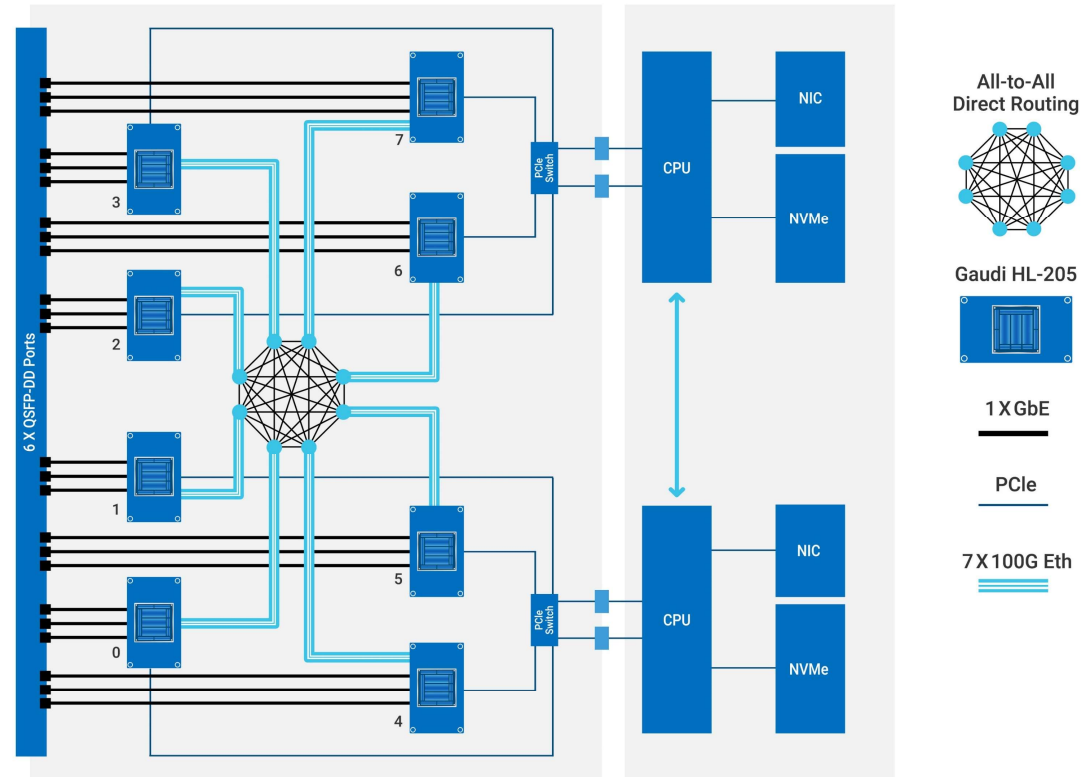
- Eliminates lock-in with proprietary interfaces



- Lowers total system cost and power by reducing discrete components

Scaling within a Gaudi Server

- 8 Gaudi OCP OAM cards
- 24 x 100GbE RDMA RoCE for scale-out
- Non-blocking, all-2-all internal interconnect across Gaudi AI processors
- Separate PCIe ports for external Host CPU traffic

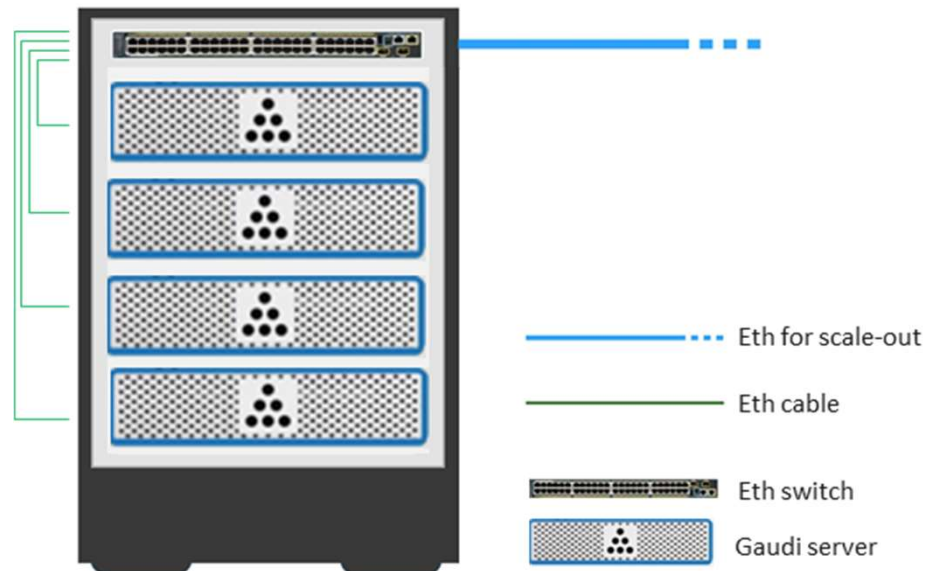


Example of Integrated Server with eight Gaudi AI processors, two Xeon CPU and multiple Ethernet Interfaces



Rack and Pod Level Scaling

Easily build rack and pod-scale training systems with off-the-shelf standard ethernet switches

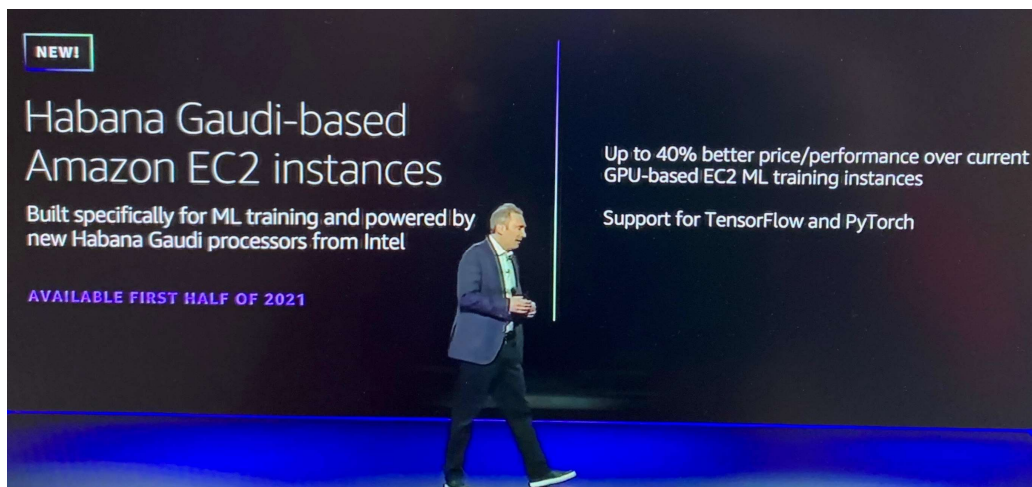


Example of rack configuration with four Gaudi servers (eight Gaudi processors per server) connected to a single Ethernet switch



Gaudi-based Amazon EC2 AI Training Instances

Gaudi-Based AWS EC2 Instances Coming Soon



*"The new EC2 instances will leverage up to 8 Gaudi accelerators and deliver **up to 40% better price/performance** than current GPU-based EC2 instances for training DL models."*

Andy Jassy, re:Invent 2020

- Amazon's first non-GPU instances based on Habana Gaudi AI processors
- Improved cost-efficiency makes AI Training accessible to more customers

Gaudi-Based EC2 Instances



Benefit from full stack of Amazon EC2 services:

- AWS DLAMI, DLC for Gaudi
- AWS ECS and EKS orchestration for containerized applications
- Integration with Amazon SageMaker
- Efficient scaling across multiple Gaudi-based EC2 Instances

On-Premise Solution



Partnering with Supermicro

Solutions available now for on-premises customers

Featured Servers:

- Supermicro X12 Gaudi® AI Training System
 - Eight Gaudi HL-205 AI processors
 - Dual-socket 3rd Gen Intel® Xeon® Scalable processors
 - <https://www.supermicro.com/en/products/system/AI/4U/SYS-420GH-TNGR>
- Supermicro SuperServer 4029GP-T
 - Eight Goya™ HL-100 PCIe cards
 - Dual-socket 2nd Gen Intel® Xeon® Scalable processors
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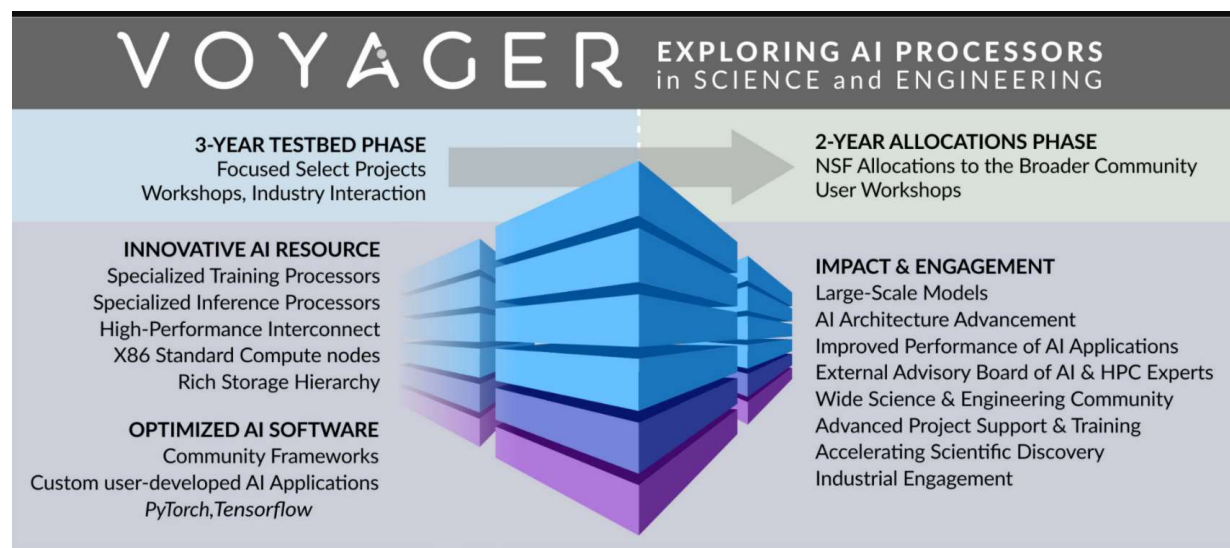
Supermicro
X12 Gaudi
AI Training System



Habana AI to power SDSC's Voyager Research Program

336 Gaudi Training accelerators with native RoCE scaling
and 16 Goya Inference processors

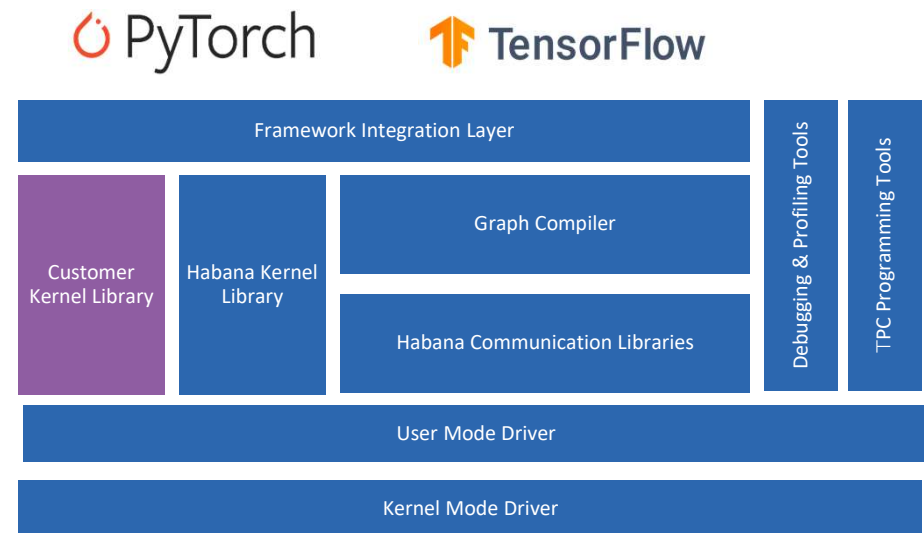
- Voyager to go into service Fall 2021
- Funded by \$5M grant from National Science Foundation
 - Matching funds targeting community support and operation
- AI research conducted across range of science and engineering domains
 - Astronomy, climate sciences, chemistry, particle physics,
- Announced by SDSC in July 2020, more information [here](#).



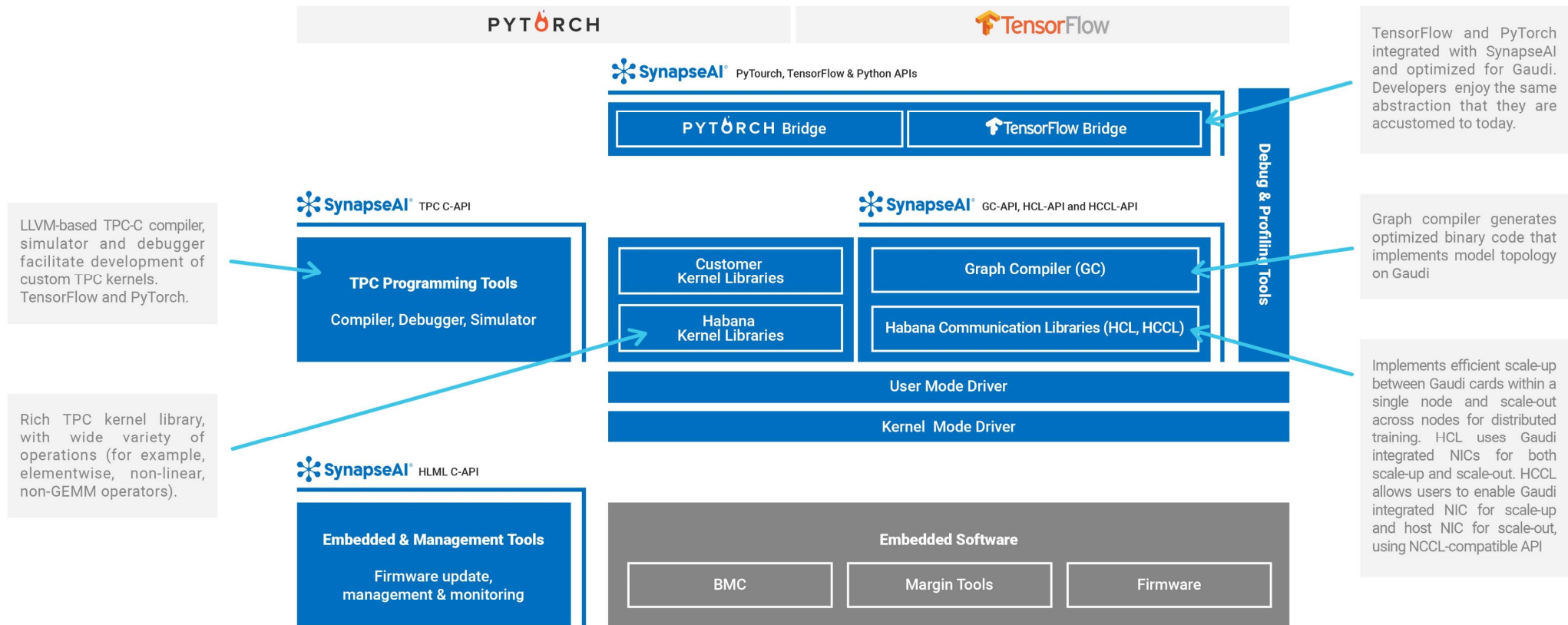
Software, Resources & Support

SynapseAI Software Suite

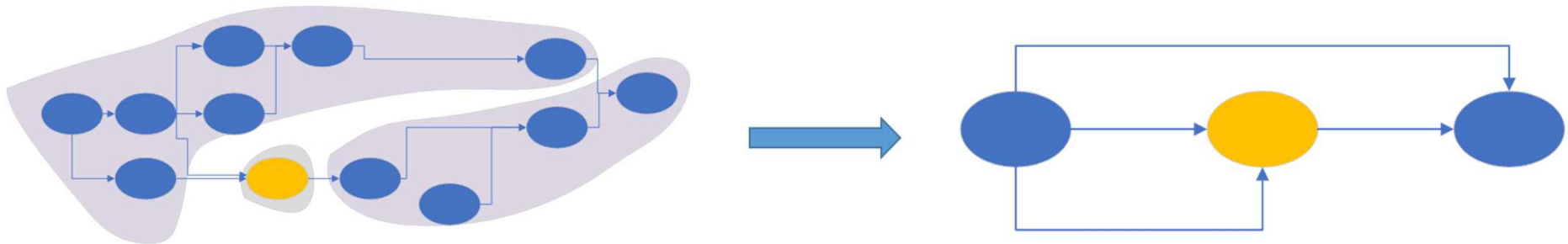
- Train deep learning models on Gaudi with minimal code changes
- Natively integrated with TensorFlow & PyTorch
- Reference models, kernel libraries, software and docs available on GitHub
- Advanced users can write their own custom software kernels



Software Suite Detail



TensorFlow integration with SynapseAI



SynapseAI receives a computational graph of the model from the framework

It identifies subgraphs (blue nodes) that can be accelerated by Gaudi

The rest of the graph runs on CPU (yellow node)

The original graph is modified to replace the Gaudi subgraphs with encapsulated nodes (blue)

The framework runtime executes the modified graph

For each encapsulated node, SynapseAI generates optimized binary code that runs on Gaudi

Getting Started with TensorFlow on Gaudi

```
import tensorflow as tf
```

```
from TensorFlow.common.library_loader import load_habana_module  
load_habana_module()
```

```
(x_train, y_train), (x_test, y_test) = tf.keras.datasets.mnist.load_data()  
x_train, x_test = x_train / 255.0, x_test / 255.0
```

```
model = tf.keras.models.Sequential([  
    tf.keras.layers.Flatten(input_shape=(28, 28)),  
    tf.keras.layers.Dense(10),  
])  
loss = tf.keras.losses.SparseCategoricalCrossentropy(from_logits=True)  
optimizer = tf.keras.optimizers.SGD(learning_rate=0.01)
```

```
model.compile(optimizer=optimizer, loss=loss, metrics=['accuracy'])
```

```
model.fit(x_train, y_train, epochs=5, batch_size=128)  
model.evaluate(x_test, y_test)
```

Load the Habana libraries needed to use Gaudi aka **HPU** device.

Once loaded, the **HPU device** is registered in TensorFlow and prioritized over CPU.

When an Op is available for both CPU and HPU, the Op is assigned to the HPU.

When an Op is not supported on HPU, it runs on the CPU



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Welcome to Habana's developer site.

Here you will find the content, guidance, tools and support needed to easily and flexibly build new or migrate existing AI models and optimize their performance to meet your AI requirements. You can also access the latest Gaudi software to build or update your infrastructure.

Get access to Habana's programmable Tensor Processor Core and SynapseAI® software stack with support for TensorFlow and PyTorch frameworks, along with our model garden, libraries, containers and tools that enable you to build popular AI models.

For Habana's latest performance numbers on our reference models, please go to our [Models and Performance](#) page.

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Get detailed technical guides to start running models on Gaudi.

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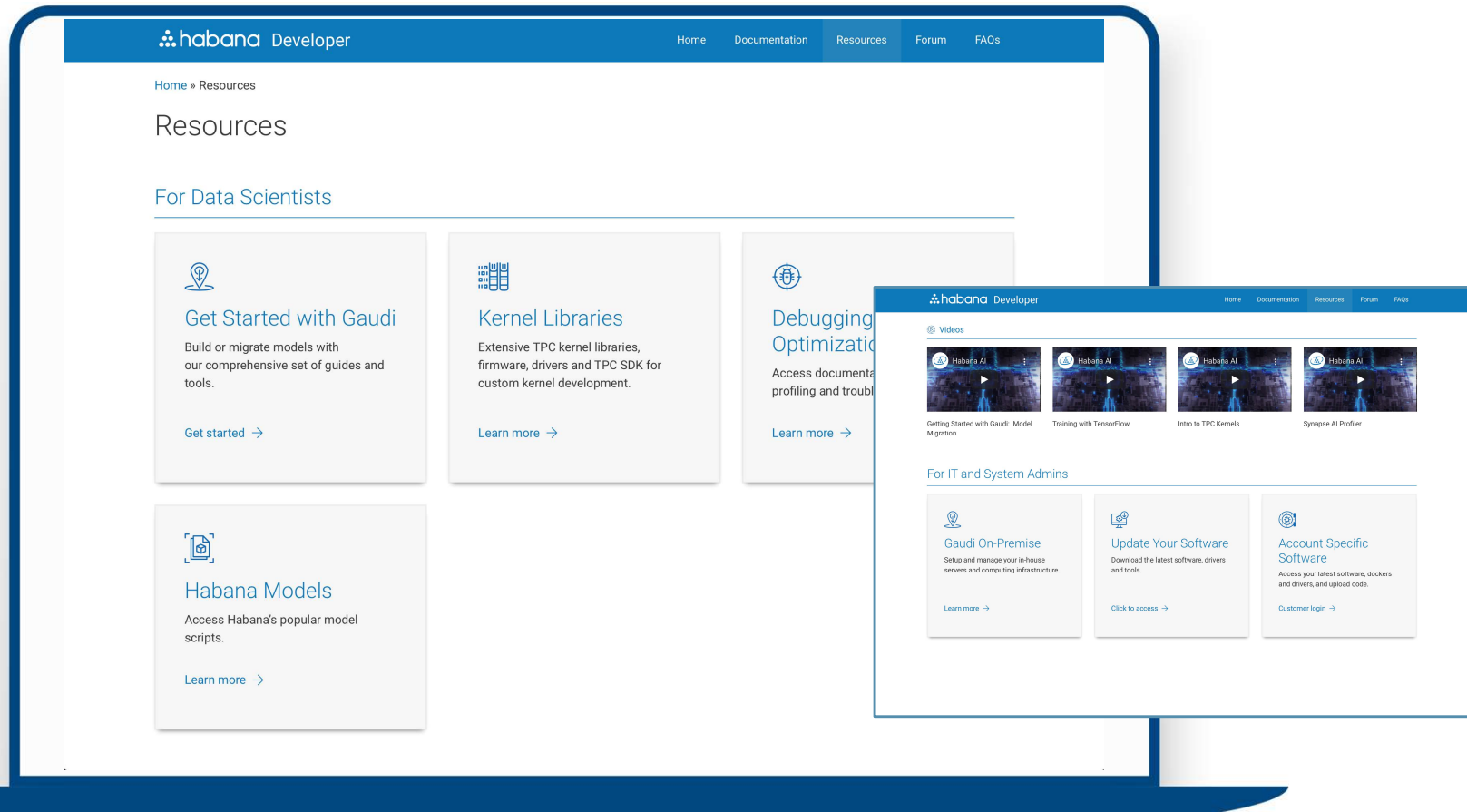
Access reference models, support roadmap, setup and installation guides and more.

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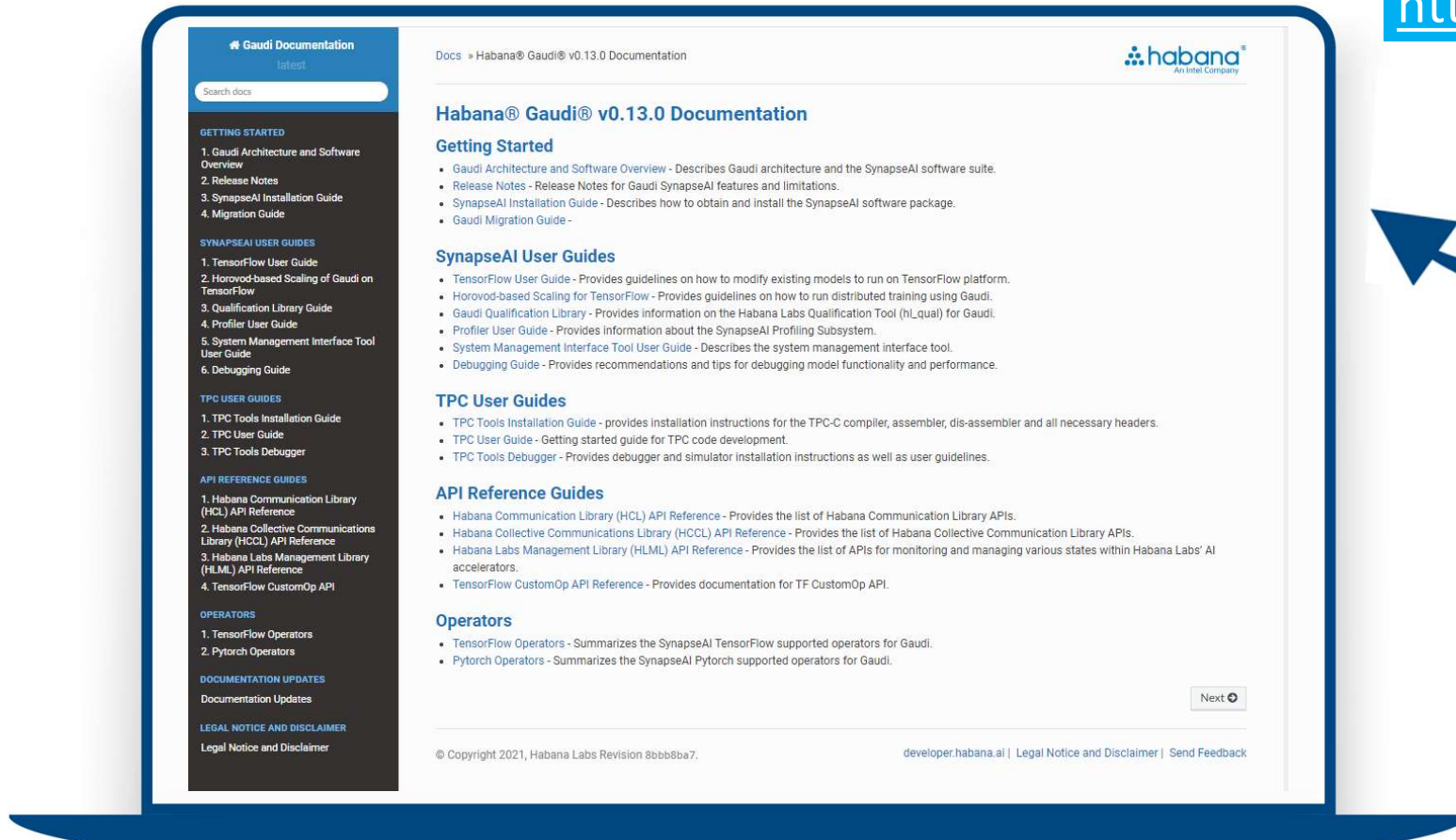


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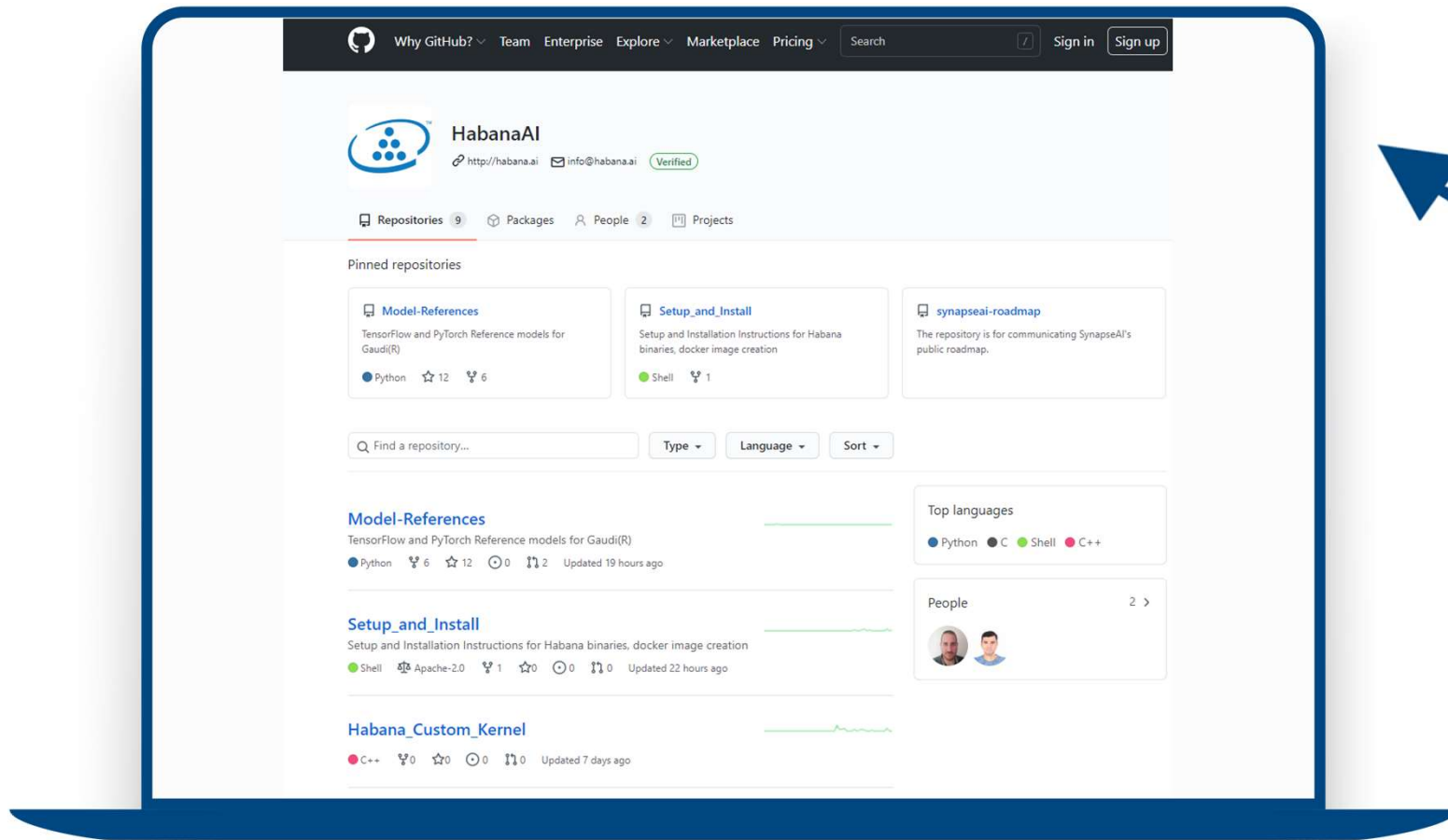
Download the latest SynapseAI(R) Software, including Habana's graph compiler and runtime, TPC kernel library, firmware and drivers, and tools. These components are needed to update an existing system to the latest drivers and Firmware. For more information on how to install this content, please refer to the [Installation Guide](#).

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habanalabs-graph	Installs the Graph Compiler and the run-time.	Ubuntu18.04 Ubuntu20.04 AmazonLinux2 Centos7.5
habanalabs-thunk	Installs the thunk library.	Ubuntu18.04 Ubuntu20.04 AmazonLinux2 Centos7.5
habanalabs-dkms	Installs the PCIe driver.	Ubuntu18.04 Ubuntu20.04 AmazonLinux2 Centos7.5
habanalabs-fw-tools	Installs various Firmware embedded tools (hlml, hl-smi, etc).	Ubuntu18.04 Ubuntu20.04 AmazonLinux2 Centos7.5
habanalabs-aeon	Installs synapse level demo's data loader.	Ubuntu18.04 Ubuntu20.04 AmazonLinux2 Centos7.5
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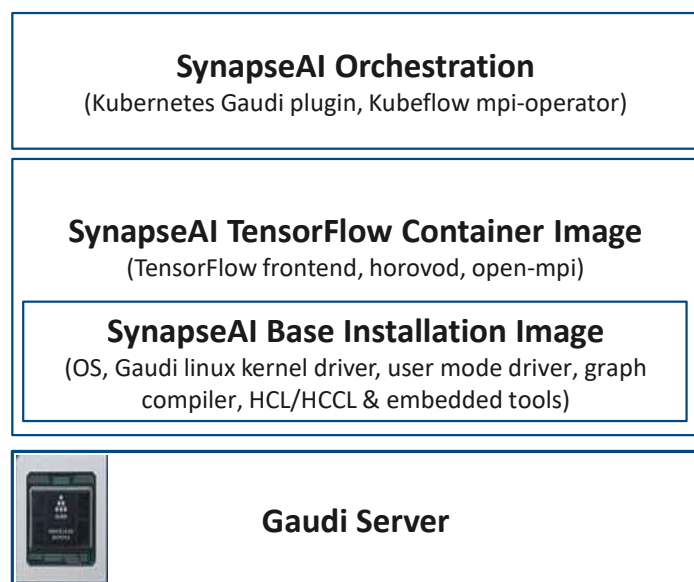
<https://github.com/HabanaAI>



Software Installation and Deployment



[Setup and Install](#) repository on Habana GitHub provides instructions on how to setup your environment with the SynapseAI software stack



Gaudi-optimized Docker container images with all necessary dependences*

[Official releases publicly available on Habana Vault](#)

Orchestration	Kubernetes (1.19)
Frameworks	TensorFlow2 and PyTorch
Operating Systems	Ubuntu 18.04 and 20.04
Container Runtimes	Docker (Docker CE version 18.09)
Distributed Training Schemes	TensorFlow with Horovod and tf.distribute PyTorch distributed (native)

* Habana GitHub will have repository with Dockerfiles to “build your own” Docker images



Gaudi Reference Models – July 2021

HabanaAI / synapseai-roadmap

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Gaudi reference models roadmap
Updated 12 hours ago

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- Gaudi reference model [roadmap](#) on Habana GitHub
- Scripts and detailed instructions to enable the reference models on Gaudi available on the [Model-References](#) repository

Habana's Developer Forum

<https://forum.habana.ai>



The screenshot shows the Habana Developer Forum interface. At the top is a blue navigation bar with the 'habana Developer' logo and links for Home, Documentation, Resources, Forum (active), FAQs, Sign Up, and Log In. Below the navigation bar is a welcome message: 'Welcome to Habana's Developer Forum' followed by a paragraph about creating a community for developers and data scientists. Below this is a filter section with 'all categories', 'all tags', and a red 'Categories' button. To the right of the filter are 'Latest' and 'Top' sorting options. The main content area is divided into two columns. The left column lists categories: 'Announcements' (0 topics), 'Training' (2 topics, with sub-links for PyTorch and TensorFlow), 'Inference' (0 topics), 'Uncategorized' (1 topic, with a description), and 'Site Feedback' (0 topics, with a description). The right column shows a 'Latest' list of topics: 'Welcome to Habana's developers forum' (0 replies, Jan 5), 'Training PyTorch ResNet50 model' (0 replies, 5d), and 'New Topic for review' (0 replies, 7d). A 'More' button is at the bottom right of the topics list.

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